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THE FRISCO AND WICHITA. A Big Railroad System and It's Big City.

Our dispatches of Friday morning announced that a meeting of the directors of the St. Louis & San Francisco railway, held in New York City, the day before by unanimous vote gave assent to issuing of fifty million dollars bonds to raise funds to make extensions of that road, one of which extensions is now being built from Wichita northwest, known as the Kansas Midland. Another extension will be the Indian Territory line into Mexico. A private letter from an officer of that road to the editor of the Eagle vesterday confirms the report

which leads us to remark: Fifty millions of dollars will build and equip about two thousand five hundred miles of road. Such an addition not only means that the Frisco is to become one of the greatest systems in the country, but that railway building in the west will continue for two more years at least, as the extensions of one system always forces counter extensions from other interested systems.

The Trisco system will not only be, therefore, one of the most important in the west, but it is a system which has no affinities with the Missouri river, no interest in the Missouri river rates, no care for any pool at Kansas City. Not only that, but the city of Wichita is the largest city outside of St. Louis on its entire line, greatest in population and in wealth and far the greatest in the matter of tonage. What result such a state of facis must lead to need not be outlined. This great railway will in its own interest naturally take an interest in the city to which its fortunes are most intimately joined, and the 'Frisco will inevitably become to Wichita what the Santa Fe is to Kansas City. As Wichita will be the the next live stock market and packing point west of Kansas City, the 'Frisco can and will haul to this market live stock from central and northern. Kansas and from eastern Kansas, and even westera Missouri over lines already constructal. But the bulk of this traffic to the Prisco's biggest town must come from the southwest and the Indian Territory. Fo hold the same relation to Wichita that the Santa Fe has to Kansas City. the Frisco ought, in fact, must, construct a line or link between Wichita and her southern line.

And our prophecy is that she will, WICHITA IN THE PANHANDLE.

Wiching, the largest as well as the liveliest city in Southern Kansas, is state. stretching out her arms to receive the

trade of the Panhandle. Eavored by uature, Wichita, by her energy and business foresight has made great cononests and has achieved brilliant victoing for new fields that she conquer them merited the title, "Oncen of the Southwest, "-Canadign (Tex.) Crescent,

leveloping Panhandle country; one that be immensely augmented.

WICHITA AND K. C. SOLID,

Eli Perkins writes from Kansas to From Bradstreets. Henry Clews & Co., bankers, of New cars so crowded. There is no sign of a and south is particularly good. According to the Perthad Press the products wilting been in the west, I've passed to the Perthad Press the products over 1,000 miles of Missouri Pacific. It is well managed. The management is is well managed. The management is conomical but thorough. Their trains past year, 20,000 cases, or 4.872,000 cars, are loaded. It is earning its dividend if past year, 20,000 cases, or 4.872,000 cans. has peopled the west with new people

MATTERS MATERIALIZING.

officers and stockholders are not ready mind so potent as not to need arguyet to make public their intentions. Buent, Suffice it to say that three of its represenatives have been in the city nearly all the week, and on Friday had a long and

a general wish that he may obtain liberal compensation for his persecutions as far as money can afford it.

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THE FACT WHICH REMAINS.

Gentlemen, Please Note the Fact Which Remains.

Despite all the Adverse Talk, There are Some Things About Wichita Very Interesting to Investors.

From one side of this continent to the other no city of its age or size is talked about so much as is Wichita. While much of this talk is anything but encouraging to people seeking locations or places of investment, or vet complimentary to our people, the fact remains that as an advertisement, all this talk is none the less effective.

Despite all the talk, however, the fact remains that Wichita has the lowest taxes, the least debt and is the most prosperous and rapidly growing city in all the west

Despite all the talk, the fact remains that Wichita has not only the lowest assessment and the lowest taxes, but that city in the great state of Kansas.

Despite all the talk, the fact remains. that Wiehita is practically without bonded indebtedness of any character and that her taxes have always been less, and that they are less by one-half this year than those of any other of the the first class cities of Kansas.

Despite all the talk the fact remains, that Wichita has not only the lowest taxes by half, but has a greater number of great manufacturies, a greater number of fine public school buildings, a greater number of great educational institutions, a greater number of fine churches, a greater number of costly private residences than any city in Kan-

Despite all the talk the fact remains that Wichita has not only not half the taxes, but has more miles of street railways, more miles of electric lights, more miles of gas lights, more miles of telephone and telegraph wires, more miles of water mains, more miles of gas mains and more miles of streets and sidewalks, and all paid for, then any city in Kansas,

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that Wiehita, in spite of all the opposiof her in eastern monetary centers, has Panfiandle. Seeing the opening she re- more business today, shows more life and letter to the Times as emphatically degarded it as a trust. Well has Wichita activity today, more rush and push on clared that foreclosure proceedings, cov-The Excit is delichted to find so miel, more brainy, energetic and sol- and so on. The other letters were ligent and enterprising a cotemporary as vent capitalists today than any canally ourrageous. While the truth is the Crescent in the grand and rapidly five other cities of the state of Kausas there has been no protests, no default on all put together.

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THE MAIN E CORN PACK.

Henry Clews & Co., bankers, of New York: "Two just been through Kansas, Missouri, Nebruska and Minnesota. I never saw times better. I never saw the

and beer. It is not sending out over of short seasons and sterile land as comof cultivation in this latitude does Southceptionally prefitable

would even interest the state at large, such treatment were diverted to those ments. While this particular one is sure increased thereby. The advantages to to come to Kansas, and to Wichita, the our people in this matter are to our

"THE LARGEST CIRCULATION."

The Topeka Capital appears Wednessatisfactory conference with the directary morning in a new dress, upon which tory of the Board of Trade and unless it will please accept our congratulations. Kansas City can get ready in the next claims the largest circulation in Kansas. thirty or sixty days, for another blue To this we have to say that if we can't show that the Excur has twice as many Editor Cutting's claim against Mexico subscribers-prints daily twice as many is still be the bands of the diplomatists. papers as the Capital, we will make that Virginia. Beers, who was convicted at railway, the great trunk lines of the west seemed greatly worried over the sayings ta. As the country The fact that he has spared the country institution a present of the biggest news. Lincoln last week of murdering his have built into the city, and if they are of the Eagle. As we would that all

WHAT THE FIGURES LOOK LIKE. An Official Statement of the Financia Condition of Sedgwick Connty.

wick county seemed to take the state by surprise, and as the EAGLE's published statement has drawn out many criticisms and observations from newspapers which seem to express incredulity we herewith give an official statement of the financial condition of the county and city, certified to by the proper officials. It will be observed that the great tax of the county is for school purposes, being \$131,013,there being upwards 150 for interest on indebtness. The sas Midland, twenty miles of which lies was consumated: within the county, both of which will be When Kit Carson, General Harney property which has been added since the these tribes of Indians in conflict. last assessment, and which will make That all great cities of this country she is the most populous and wealthiest the coming years. The following is the places where the Indians were wont to tion of Sedgwick county, Kansas, trading posts.

December 10th, 1887; ourt house bonds 6 per cent. \$ 19.0% oor farm bonds, 6 per cent. 0.000 unting bonds, 6 per cent. 20.00 , K. & N.R. R. Bonds, 6 per cent. 180.00 ed valuation for 1887, by actual valu Wieblia City, realty.
Wheblia City, personal property.
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county, outside of city, personal.
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Sehita City, for all purposes. \$2.7256 per \$1.00 verage train for county, including This includes taxes of every character, as follow Yotal taxes... ...800 U.557 54

thereby certify that the forezoing is a correct showing of the financial condition of Sedgwin county, Kansar, December 10th, 1885. E. F. FORD, County Clerk, I bereby cartify that the payment of taxes up to this date is the excess of collections up to corre using date of 18%, Gro, W. Walter,
Treasurer Sedgwick County, Kansa General Hancock's suicidal letter on

the subject of the tariff while a candidate for the presidency was either forgotten by the president, or else its effects at the time had lost their terrors when Mr. Cleveland penned his recent tariff

TAXES AND TREASON.

Within the month last past there ap-

Wichita's Overdue Interest and Millions of Foreclosures.

peared in the Boston Herald, the Chicaro Times, and in two or three other eastern journals of lesser note, letters Despite all the talk the fact remains bearing date of certain cities in this state which were devoted to Wichita. tion of other towns and cities in Kansas. and which letters were simply infamous and all the other towns and cities in Mis-in their misrepresentations. The letter souri, and the mispepresentations made to the Herald stated, irrequivocally, that one hundred and twenty thousand dolnot only no bonded indebtedness worth lars of overdue coupons on interest notes, naming and the lowest taxes by half, secured by mortgage, had gone to probut she is growing faster today, is doing test in Wichita within a month. The her business streets today, has more im- ering immense sums of money, had been portant enterprises on hand today, has instituted against property in this city, garbled, nor can there be; but, epithels pleted, are multiplied and denunciations piled. The company will expend over \$400,no maintained. Its seekingto do so, howno maintained. Its seekingto do so, however, it is well to discriminate between are multiplied and denunciations piled to, no doubt have long since concluded completed. that high treason is innocency itself com- Between the car works and the city, which the Exque stands charged.

ever carned it. The 'boom' in Kansas With such a showing as this in we went to the largest money loaning ingo are drafted for a capacity of 4,000 for which we plead. comes from probabition. Kansas used spite of the great disadvantages the concern in this state, which is located in hogs per day, and work will soon comto send out \$22,000,000 a year for whisky Maine farmers labor under in the matter this city, and which has now loaned in mence. southern Kausas five million seven hun- The establishment will be one of the \$4,600,000 a year now. This saving of pared to this great valley country, what dred thousand dollars, less than seven largest in the west and the best and college days once more, \$18,000,000 a year by Kansas is making may our people not accomplish in the bundred thousand of which is on Wichita most complete for handling hogs and a surplus for the people and reducing same direction once embarked in like en-property, and that said institution cattle in the world. the surplus of the United States. Wich: terprises. Not only in the production of has less than six hundred dollars of un- In West Wichita the Wichita Watch its and Kansas City are solid. There corn, but all other vegetables susceptible paid interest for the years 1886 and 1887: Works are at work and pushing forward and that we went to the president of to completion a building 280 feet front and Wichita, Kan., on a tour of inspecern Kansas excel, and the packing and another which has upwards of two and a and three stories high, as rapidly as postion. He found evidences of substantial canning of the same has proven exhibited in the million leans, less than one-third of sible. wherever which is in Wichita, and their defaica- Other manufacturing establishments The Exercise, in its last Sanday's issue, it has been undertaken, even tions are less than two hundred dollars complete and in operation as well as shaping to some extent the policy of an

> John Roach's shipyards at Chester. gun boats for the navy.

WAS ALWAYS A CENTER.

Cardinal City of Definite Destiny, As the low taxes of Wiehita and Sedg-

> Kit Carson, General Harney and Colonel Dent Figured Upon Her Historical Grounds.

If there is any person who doubts what is being done in Wichita to make her a city, and a city greater than any other west of Kansas City, let him come here and examine for himself, bearing in mind, that the foundations for a large schools as against \$11,289 only city at this point was commenced years ago, when this was a trading post for the railroad for which the bonds are out- Indians of the southwest, that it was here standing, (the C., K. & N.) was not that the great treaty between the United ssed this year, thirty miles of which States and the Wichita's, Cheyennes, lies within the county, nor was the Kan- Arapahoes and other tribes of Indians

assessed next year, fifty miles more road and Colonel Dent as representatives of together with nearly six millions of other the United States, met the chiefs of all

the percent of taxation still smaller for bave been located and built at these very official statement of the financial condi-

At the meeting of the waters of the Big and Little Arkansas, in less than seventeen years a city has been built numbering over 40,000 souls. The largest in the state and the greatest commercial point of the southwest.

Come and see whether Wichita is buildbusiness blocks were built in the past half has not been told.

Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific depot.

Go on Main street and look at the following buildings erected the past year:

Market Street— Wichita Mercantile Co. Sedgwick block Smith, Skinner & Co. awford Opera House..... erce, Pollock & Co, block...

The new government building is well under construction, and when completed will cost \$200,000.

The universities, colleges and other school buildings should be visited, and the magnitude of the building in this line compares favorably with any city of

The Lewis academy is already completed at a cost of \$35,000, and under construction will be found

The Garfield University,

overdue paper or overdue interest of any lings costing from \$15,000 to \$19,000 dressing room.

section and Wichita. What they want these prestiges and emoluments, all these we made none. Time and truth can sides twenty-seven churches already section and Wichita. What they want section and with the powers and their auxiliaries, whatever only wipe out such misrepresentations. completed. In the northeast part of the sale of their products but likewise for may come, or whatever may go, Wichi-However, to show up Wichita's city see the Gilbert Plow works, brick the purchase of their supplies. They to will continue in the ascendency; that side in an affirmative way buildings now being constructed. One flows there must need be with their local have already learned that in both these despite all the misrepresentations of the Eaglic took up the taxes 60x280, one 60x150 and two 35x35 feet, interests and home rule in matters of

road facilities which will be afforded in inevitably become another great link in those of Wichita. This was done in works and see what is being done there. ren, representing all these congregations. the near future, business intercourse will the great chain of great commercial cities reaching scross this great continent, kicking and squealing is very amusing, ings nearly completed and machinery and nobody enjoys it more than we do, being put in place. Three of the build-There has been no attempt to refuse our logs will be 80x250 feet, one 60x250, one disclosure by showing that the official 60x200 and one 35x40 feet. Already figures were tampered with or the facts nearly seventy dwelling houses are com-

ers of these papers in the cities alluded other improvements before they are

pared to the enormity of the crime of mear the Union Stock yards, is located time-unity of interest and action, securthe immense packing house of Jacob It only remains for us to remark that Dold & Son. The plans for the build-

in summing up some of the more import- on a comparatively small scale. The up to the first day of December, 1887. under construction will be found all ant of the great interests centering in demand for this class of goods is grow. The records of our courts show that there over the city which space will not allow business in the west, it is safe to assume Wichita, incidentally alluded to others ing and our judgment is that it would has been but one foreclosure in a year mentioning at the present time. Drive that the views expressed are conservawhich were under negotiation and so be next to impossible to overdo the and that on a farm. These facts have through the residence portion of the tive and the facts to be depended upon. forth, whose character and imperiance matter if our products that are suited to been certified to by the presidents and eity and count the two thousand and He writes: secretaries of the loan associations and more residences which have been erected One of these we had boxed to be able to channels for market and consumption, by the president and secretary of the in the past year and the thousand under and there is no question but that the transfer and beginning to the president and secretary of the in the past year and the thousand under was prepared to take decianneance this morning as having made and there is no question but that the board of trade and by the manager of the construction, then carefully ponder over all the necessary preliminary arranges profits of the producer would be largely clearing house and forwarded to the these facts and then ask yourself if all but after patiently locking over the papers named which may or may not correct their misrepresentations.

John Roach's shinyards at Chester,

John Roach's shinyards at Chester, Pa., are again busy. The frames for the houses of brick and stone: the twenty- that all transactions made in Wichita Puritan are being laid. She is to be a eight churches, eleven universities, were on the basis of about 50 per cent sister ship of the Pilgrim, of the Fall colleges and academies, the car works, cash and the balance inside of a year, sister sinp of the Pilgrim, of the Fall colleges and academies, the car works, but usually not later than nine months, River line, which cost \$1,250,000. A large plow works, watch works, and other and that up to this time no sales under steamer for the Standard Oil company is manufacturing establishments, the sixty foreclosure had occurred. To be sure, about completed, and contracts have mile of street railway to accommodate outside property is not so active as it was the entirely unexpected should happen.

Kansas City can get ready in the next.

But the Capital in a flaring head label been signed for the building of two new been in the spring, though there does not seem been signed for the building of two new to be any under an entry to unload. put here for nothing? Ask yourself why the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, St. Lincoln, Neb., has a parallel to the Louis & San Francisco, Missouri Pacific sas exchanges, three of them from famous Cluverius case of Richmond, and the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Southwestern Kansas, all of which

fact is it not reasonable to suppose that she is in a better position today to carry forward to a successful termination all her undertakings than she was to bring herself up to the present city that she is. with all that she has had to contend with when she virtually had nothing? A New York Paper on its Advantages And is it not reasonable to suppose that the enormous amount of money which has been expended here, and which will he in the future, is for the purpose of fulfilling the plans mapped out by the

writes the following complimentary letter of Wichita and some of her people: On our homeward trip we came by Wichita, as it lay in the path of our travel, and had farther opportunity of witnessing the wonderful strides which metropolitan dignity and magnificence, Kansas has had a wondeful history and a phenomenal development, and nothing connected with her sudden transition from territorial sparseness to a populous statehood, has been more marvelous than the magical growth

of this "peeriess princess of the plains," as the editor of the Eagle proudly designates it. By the favor of the energetic and accommodating Bro. R. M. Spurgin, the real estate agent, who kindly volunteered to take Bro. Toof and myself over the city, we were permitted ing as many and as costly business blocks as has been represented. Go along oughfares. Enterprise and public spirit have made Wichita what is is, and they are destined, we believe, to build there in the valley of the Arkansas, where the year, then say to your friends that the Little Arkansas unites its destiny with

300,000 population. The one thing about Wichita which interests all our readers its fu-ture, is Garfield university—an invery nas. Very through stitution whose will attract attention through-out the civilized world. After dining with Bro, Everest, the Chancellor, he showed us through the building, the north wing of which was just being completed. Its large, well-lighted and well-ventilated recitation rooms, steamheated and fitted up with black-boards with offices adjoining for the professors

are enough to make one wish to be a college student again. The whole structure is on a scale of magnificence unequalled perhaps by anything in the state, and when completed will be a worthy monument to the honored name it bears, and to the people who have erected it. It is evident that this building has been planned not as a state, but as a national insti-tution, and if the teaching shall zem comport with the external structure, it will no doubt attract students from far and near. We had the pleasure of attending the Central church prayer meeting, presided over by by Pro. Hobbs, the pastor. It was a pleasure to see so many present and participating in the worship. At Bro. Hobbs invitation we worship. At Bro. Hobbs invitation we spoke awhile to the people and tried to emphasize the responsibility of the church of Christ in a city like Wichita. Lawrence on Lincoln streets were Broing in the modern style of architecture, and is an attractive place. The bap-tistry of this church is unique, so far as our experience goes. It has a kind of false bottom to it, which is raised to a suspended from the ceiling in year of pulpit, and worked by men invisible to the audience. The candidate and administrator step on this platform and are 2,000 numerous mayn meas exercise is

The church in Wichita has a bright fu-ture, if the brethren maintain unity and showing than even a city of 100,000 act cojointly in all matters of general in-tornet as one leady. Separate congress, we have a little less than 35,000. Her purely local concern; but there should be, and we are glad to learn that there is b which all matters of general in terest to the cause in the city, are to be brought to insure unanimity of action. This we regard as of the very highest importance to the success of our cause in the cities. For lack of it there have been many failures. In every city where we have now than one congregaconsolidation and co-operation. The forwhere there has been a previous mistake, consistent with congregational autono-

Toof, which was like fixing over the old

American Banker. A prominent Chicago, Ill., instrance man recently visited Kansas City, Mo. as well as speculative growth, and as his insurance company in the conduct of its ufa

"In Wichita I confidently expected to

We picked up last evening five Kan-

A MOST MARVELOUS CITY.

Princess Still in Ascendency.

and Attractions-2,600 Buildings Erected in One Year.

Pomeroy's [New York] Advance Thought. fulfilling the plans mapped out by the men of brains of this city of destiny?

WICHITA THE WONDERFUL.

"Garfield not a State, but a National Institution."

J. H. Garrison, D. D., editor in chief of the St. Louis Christian Evangelist, who has been making a western trip and who stopped a day or two in Wichiia, writes the following complimentary leting the state of the st. Louis Christian Evangelist, who has been making a western trip and who stopped a day or two in Wichiia, writes the following complimentary leting the state of the st. Louis Christian Evangelist, who has been making a western trip and who stopped a day or two in Wichiia, writes the following complimentary leting the state of the st. Louis Christian Evangelist, was with the idea of investigating these reports, in conjunction with the

affairs. It was with the head investigating these reports, in conjunction with the performance of other duties, that I made this visit to Wichita, starting from Kansas City over the Chicago, Kansas & Nebraska read, a portion of the great Rock Island system, and passing through Pea-body, Herrington and the live-ly town of Hutchinson en route-i was somewhat surprised to find the depot accomodations, not only of the Rock Island, but the Missouri Pacific and trance into any place, and oftentimes car-ries great weight with it. I understand, however, that the Rock Island will soon begin the erection of a very fine and spaci-ous depot—of stone and pressed brick. What is most desirable, and to the trayeler always will be, is that the variou care always will be, is that the various conds unite in the construction of a large Union Depot. It seems, to the hasty observer, that these places distinguished for their rapid growth grow so fast that such essentials as depots and hotels are such essentials as depots and hotels are looked over in the enthusiasm of pushing ahead until some future moment permits attention being bestowed upon them. At present Wichita is also deficient in hotels, the second feature that impressess a stranger, but within a few weeks, and by the time this article appears, her facilities in this direction will ourstrin those of any n this direction will outstrip those of any other city in the state, as within that per-ied the Cary hotel, a large five story and basement structure of attractive architec-ture, will be thrown open to welome the

tire, will be thrown open to welome the city's guests.

The first merning after my arrival I had the good fortune to meet an old friend from the east, who entered into business here in June and proposes to make this his permanent home. Appreciating the motive of my visit to Wichita he very kindly tendered me his assistance and in traduced me to several of the most.

INFLUENTIAL BUSINESS MEN, with the object of obtaining some reliable impressions concerning the "Peerless Princess of the Plains," as this beautiful city is so appropriately denominated.
One of the first gentlemen of my friend introduced me to is Mr. Geo. II. Blackweider, a preminent real estate-broker. On learning the object of my cell he said: "Well, what do you think of it; do you think our boom is busted, or does it look as if we were about to experience a panie? I admitted that I did not think so, for, in fact, one of the features which most struck me is the the features which most struck me is the eat activity which existed everywhere are so crowded, especially in the afternoon, that progression is not by any means easy in no other city, of course, comparatively speaking, have I noticed this one thing so much as in Wichita. Continuing, Mr. Blackwelder stated that in the last six be reported by the outside press to the country. In my next query I asked:

"What would you present as the strong of argument showing the faith of the people here in the city" "Why, sir, this

dressing from. Our readers ought not to be troubted in finding an apostolic precept which authorizes such a contribute of a business character are solis and substantial, netropelitan in size, at

HESINISE HOUSES. E300

is an opera house, a government building for a postoffice (the work on which seem to progress as fast as the march of a small, a handsome office building by Rouse & Blackwelder, and several colleges in the suburbs, the Garfield University lening the specious grounds and costing, upleted, \$20,000.

I was next taken to the office of Smith Ozume & Co., a leading real estate firm ADVANTAGUS FOR MANUFACTURESO.

"The advantages we have here for ma

enterprising community who are willing to offer indocements to bring manufacturing establishments fourthly our location, and so on. For a manufac-turing or wholesale mart I do not think any other city in the county is more advanover 300 miles from St. Louis and, Ka sas City our distance from these tities therefore, presents them from existing an ord influence over our wholesale or manufacturing trade; to the south is the recibilities our country and the Indian Terri of Texas directly was he as of Colorado, with no points of any comparative size this side of Detree. Nor all of this region is tributary to Whehit and must receive its amplies from Wienith. As the country fills up on

"The Burton car works, capital coop, watch factory, \$250,000; Goldback 135,000; and ten brickyards, \$7 some of the heaviest corporation."

"Can you give me some suggestions as to what openings there are in this lines" I asked. "There are excellent opportunities to establish beef packing and coming, sugar making and vegetable and fruit packing factories, as the raw material is here. A tobacco factory would do well, also cotton mills, willow and wooden ware, etc." Shortly after leaving Mr. Smith, I met Mr. Sergent, of Rouse & Sargent, a firm very influential in business circles, and he had a word to say with reference to the growth of Wienhita.

"Before I forget it," said he, "let me tell you we have over thirty miles of street car tracks, in addition to a motor line ranning out into the subarris."

What will you say about the popula-

tion," said I.

"This," he replied. "In 1883 Wichita's
population was about 8,000; in 1885, 16,019;
in 1887, over 35,000! No ciry in the world
has had so sudden a growth. Sixteen years has had so sudden a growth. Sixteen years ago this spot was a dreary prairie, camped around about by the Indians and trampied over by the buffnios: two years ago but a town of 16,000; today a busy city with 35,000 souls passing in and out—to and fro among its smoking factories, business kiosses, beautiful homes and magnificent residences and prettily shaded streets, its it not wonderful?"

i not wonderful?"

I also find that there are ten colleges or universities in Wichita: 82,500,000 has re cently been given the city for educational

purposes.

In a conversation with Mr-Smithson, of Smithson & Co., some idea was afforded me of the rapid rise in real estate and the enormous profits made thereon. He remarked that he had made a number of investments for outside parties. One of the cases of the ways a course, man, in Chiraca. restments for outside parties. One of the cases cited was a young man, in Chirago who sent out a few hundred dollars for investment. In ten months his investment ricided a profit of 104 per cent. Another instance illustrating the profits made is that of a young man who invested 800 in a lot in June, 1880, and in December sold it for 8300 and over. Mr. Smithson stated that a few days ago be figured up with the young man the amount of his with the young man the amount of his profit, and ascertained that they reached 6,000 In 1886 the young man 6,000 In 1886 the young man had to borrow a part of the money to make his first investment. Money is worth about eight and nine per cent. Mr. mithson was of the opinion that eight are cent, can be easily secured on good

iroperty.

Mr. Thomas, of Messrs. Houck & Thomas, very kindly granted me a few moments' interview in

TRANSPORTATION AND BAILBOAD

In apply to the query as to whether the transportation facilities were sufficient to serve the city at present he said. "As Wichita is now we have every convenience Wichita is now we have every convenience in the way of railread facilities that could be wished. As for the Inture the various roads have under contemplation such extensive improvements and extensions that that period will be amply provided for. Wichita is situated in the geographical center of the most extensive railway system west of the Mississippi river. We have twenty-five trains daily to and from as many points. The roads entering here are the A. T. & The roads entering here are the A., T. & S. F., with lines to Kansas City, the Parific Kalisas & Yelfhaga drock Family say City and St. Joseph, the St. Louis & San Francisco and the Missenri Pacific ruiiway to Kansas City, Omaha, St. Louis and points throughout the state over which the Missenri Pacific spreads itself like a fisherman's net. "The fact is," said like a fisherman's net. The fact is he, 'railroads are building so rank this section of the country that it ficult to keep track of them.'

home, is liable to enter the arena, as a rival to Mr. Book for his sent in the United States senate, When it is remembered that everybesiy, even in Kenfact alone, that between June, 1886, and mission it will be quite natural to suspect there is something besides Mr. Buck's personal ambition prompting the suggestlowered into the water, and after the baptism they are raised regain to the level at a cost of over \$6.000,000; and during that cell move, and since it is known that the great Louisville daily has been afte Beck's scalp for some time it is not diffiid enit to divine where the inspiring cause trivance. We have one in mind but tractive in architecture and from four to emanates from, Howbeit the canny emergencies in his time, and it must be that allowed, besides, that he has a wonder-Here is a fully strong hold upon the rank and file The of the one gallus Kentucky democracy,

> "Stolen thunder" is what the Washington correspondent of the Globe-Democrat denominates the president's referstates ence to the wool question in his nassage. He says that Cleveland's utterances on * it me that point are almost a verbation reiterastate tion of Congressman Dockery's compaign speeches last year. As the Missonri * more statesman is more nearly related to Mr. V 8.76 Cleveland, politically, than Grandfather. Dana, of the New York Sun, it is not \$ 2000 likely that he will make as much fuss about the physicism as the last named s man gentleman did in the cyclopedia episode ent recently.

A Florida congressman, who was lately tried by his church for working on Sunmore day, proved that he never did a lick of work in his life. An exchange suggests that he join Dennis Kearney's working

The Eagle explains that the reason Wichita did not ask for a national conven-ion is because conventions are only transf-ory concerns. Wichita wants something

Jesso. Hogs and cattle, for instance,

From the Design City Times A gentleman speaking of Wichita the other day asks a few questions with re-gard to that city, which we append:

As I stood on the broad streets of this bustling city a few days ago, I felt be wildered while thinking over and look ing at the marked changes a decade had wrought. I asked what marician bad evoked these stately structures from the wilderness? What whard's wand had given shape and proportions to municipa, and touched sentiful hours with rainbow hues? What hand held the pulette and brush that tipted them as delicately as the lights and shadows that shimmer in the Sayerd seamer

terior appointed a commiinto the condition of land grants granted for wagon roads in Oregon. mission employed a stenographer at three months, traversing the whole field and taking testimony which was em-balmed in st-negraphic hieroglyphics. The expense, of course, was very large.
Then the stenographer, Richardson, was taken such and died. Now the valuable testimony is in Washington in the form of shorthand notes, utterly valueless tecause even experts cannot decipher or make them hang together, and the work will have to be done over again.—Omaha

Lost August the secretary of the in-